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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner dated, Aug 8, 2004, rejecting the following claims 4, 9, 10, 12-18, 20.
The fee for this Notice of Appeal is (37 CFR 1.17(b)) \$330.00.

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) apply.

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() The extension fee has already been filed in this application.

- () (b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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